

House Resolution No. 134

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Andy Melson, son of Cleveland and Ruth Melson, lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Faye Taylor, daughter of Raymond and Martha Taylor, during a solemn ceremony on January 22, 1953, at the Church of Christ in Springfield, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Andy and Faye Melson have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, John and Carolyn Melson of Fairdealing, Suzy and Ronald Mitchell of Pocatello, Idaho, and Michael and Debbie Melson of Fairdealing; and nine grandchildren; and

Whereas, Andy Melson, who likes to hunt and take care of goats, has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working at the Chevrolet plant in St. Louis, toiling as a farmer, serving as a 4-H Leader for thirty years, and being a member of the Ripley County Fair Board and the Missouri Sheep Producers Association; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker who enjoys sewing, Faye Melson further distinguished herself by retiring from Faye's Fabrics, serving as a 4-H Leader for thirty years, and being a member of the Flatwoods Homemakers Club and the Ripley County Fair Board; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Andy and Faye Melson have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Melson of Fairdealing commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on January 18, 2003, at Logan Creek Baptist Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Andy and Faye Melson at this significant milestone in their marriage and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Andy Melson.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 134, adopted January 27, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker